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(Natural Resource related items)

- **East Lake Renovation.** Please note that the yard surrounding the East Lake Warehouse will undergo a complete renovation beginning September 17, 2007. The project will commence by disposing of items in the surrounding perimeter. If you, or if you know of someone, that has personal items stored at the East Lake Warehouse the items need to be removed by September 14, 2007. On September 14, 2007 the items that are left on property will be considered abandoned and will become property of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, and will be disposed of by the Tribe on September 17, 2007. Please contact Mary Velikan, Property Officer at (231) 398-6880 for any questions or concerns regarding this matter.

(Public Safety/Court related items)

- **Non-lethal and Entry Training.** The Tribal Public Safety Department hosted a one-day training session for regional law enforcement agencies on the latest in non-lethal weapons for police as well as entry devices designed to minimize injury and help guarantee the safety of officers and civilians alike.
- **Champagne Removal Hearing.** On a split vote, Tribal Council made a decision to not remove Appellate Judge Ryan Champagne from his position on the Tribal Judiciary. Chief Justice Bailey and other jurists had recommended his removal on Constitutional basis. This stemmed from Champagne's conviction for Attempted Fraud.

(Cultural related items)

- **Birch Bark Canoe.** The Education Department project to construct a Birch Bark Canoe at the Gathering Grounds was covered by Television 7&4.

(General area items)

- **LRCR Grand Rapids Press.** A special insert was released last week for the Little River Casino recognizing the wonderful new Event Center and Winter Garden. Go to the website www.lrboi.com and look under the Public Affairs page for a link to the great insert. Thanks to the Casino folks and the Grand Rapids Press for a job well done.

(Tribal Government-Department items)

- **Education – Gardens.** If you have a garden plot, please check it on a regular basis for harvesting (daily, if

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possible). There have been a few occasions when fruits or veggies have gotten too ripe and not harvested and therefore went to waste. If you will be out of town or otherwise unable to harvest your plot, please let us know and we will harvest your plot and make the goods available at the community center for the community to enjoy. Please note: this is not an attempt to get our hands on your melons.....we just do not want to see good produce go to waste! We will NOT be harvesting any goods from anyone's plot without permission to do so.

(Emergency Management items)

- **Pandemic Exercise.** LRBOI Public Safety, Health Services, Information and other government representatives have been scheduled to work with Manistee County officials on a pandemic exercise early in November. This is a cooperative effort to test and evaluate the emergency response systems in place to protect tribal and other citizens in the event of a health disaster.

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